

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

6 OCT 1961
~~TOP SECRET~~

1. Syrian developments

a) Nasir's speech yesterday, in which he indicated he would not try to block Syria's admission to the UN or Arab League, may bring wider Middle Eastern recognition of the new government; 50X1
b) the Egyptian troops who had been standing by ships in Alexandria have reportedly begun to withdraw from the harbor area; 50X1

d) Moscow continues hesitant in dealing with the situation. 50X1

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2. Military pressuring
Frondizi for break
with Cuba



The Argentine military, who have been urging a break for some time, have found new ammunition in recently published documents concerning Cuban subversive activities in Argentina. Frondizi, although embarrassed, wants to keep his Cuban ties and is suspicious of the documents' authenticity. Sources of our Embassy say that he is trying to deflect the pressures by putting out the word that the US would like to have a continued Argentine presence in Havana.



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3. French-Algerian
negotiations



There is information from Paris that the two sides have resumed their meetings in secret to discuss formation of a provisional Algerian government and the creation of a Moslem armed force. The appointment on Wednesday of Moslem general Rafa as commander of French infantry in Algeria looks like a product of these meetings.

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4. Goulart trying to check
Quadros supporters

There have been indications that Goulart is not discounting residual support for Quadros and is taking steps to block any movement for his return to power. [REDACTED] 50X1

[REDACTED] Quadros [REDACTED] 50X1
[REDACTED] will return to Brazil [REDACTED] 50X1

to teach in Sao Paulo and to resume political activity from that base. [REDACTED] 50X1

NOTES

A. Tshombé is publicly taking a somewhat more conciliatory line toward Leopoldville but seems to be privately hedging his bets. He has been in touch with the Portuguese on the question of receiving military supplies through Angola. [REDACTED] 50X11

B. The Chinese Communists are continuing to strengthen their influence in Albania at Soviet expense. [REDACTED] 50X1

C. The three Laotian princes met on schedule this morning at Ban Hin Heup. [REDACTED] 50X1
[REDACTED] 50X1

E. There was another Soviet nuclear test at Novaya Zemlya this morning, the 22nd in the current series. [REDACTED] 50X1

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